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SNOW STORM CREATES SLIPPERY ROAD CONDITIONS& CRASHES

The Connecticut State Police are reminding drivers that the road conditions in this snowstorm today have created slippery driving conditions.

Shortly after the snowstorm began State Police called in extra manpower to patrol the highways and investigate the large number of crashes that have been reported. As of 2:30 p.m. State Police are reporting a large number of crashes have been reported on all highways all across the state.

It is the law in Connecticut that if you are involved in a crash on the highway and can do so without causing injury of further damage you MUST MOVE YOUR CAR OUT OF HARMS WAY---OFF THE TRAVEL PORTION OF THE ROAD ONTO THE SHOULDER OR OFF ONTO AN EXIT RAMP.

State Police are reporting that we are experiencing a huge number of crashes both on the interstate highways and on the secondary roads in the state. If you must travel in these conditions be sure you car is mechanically sound with proper tires and wipers. Clean off you windshield, slow down, allow a great deal of distance between cars and be sure to wear your seat belt.

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